S. No.	Name
	S/Shri
49	Col. Hargo Lal
50	S.C. Sharma
51	Ram Sewak Singh
52	M s. Muhl sh Ma l ur
53	Narender Verma
54	Dr. Mrs. Chanchal Sarin
55	Mrs. Anjana Kanwa
56	Bal K ishan
57	Pitamber Dutt. Barthwal
58	S. Sawaminathan.

स्टेट बैंक आफ इंदौर की चांदनी चौक शाखा में गलत भुगतान

1706. श्री **कैलाशपति** मिश्र : क्या वित्त मंत्री 30 अप्रैल, 1987 को राज्य सभा में प्रतारांकित प्रश्न 1382 के दिए गए उत्तर को देखेंगे और यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या 7 मार्च, 1987 को दिल्ली में स्टेट बैंक आफ इंदौर की चांदनी चौक शाखा में किए गए गलत भुगतान के मामले में स्टाफ की जिम्मेदारी के पहलू की जांच की प्रक्रिया पूरी कर ली गई है ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो दोषी अधिकारियों के नाम क्या है और उनके विरुद्ध अब तक क्या कार्यवाही की गई है ?

वित्त मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री जनार्दन पुजारी) (क) और (ख) स्टेट बैंक आफ इंदौर ने सूचित किया है कि उसने अपनी चांदनी चौक शाखा में 7 मार्च, 1987 को किए गए गलत भुगतान के मामले में स्टाफ की जिम्मेदारी के पहलू की जांच की थी और एक अधिकारी तथा एक कर्मचारी से स्पष्टीकरण मांगने का निर्णय लिया था । बाद में पुनः विचार किए जाने पर एक और कर्मचारी से स्पष्टीकरण मांगने का निर्णय लिया गया । अतः बैंक के तीनों स्टाफ सदस्यों से स्पष्टीकरण मांगा गया है जिन से अभी उत्तर प्राप्त नहीं हुए है ।

Cultivation of coffee in Orissa

1707. SHRI GANESHWAR KUSUM: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state·

(a) whether Government have started coffee cultivation in Orissa;

(b) if so, in which part of the State and the total area of land covered under coffee plantation so far;

(c) whether Government propose to bring some additional hectares of land under coffee cultivation in Orissa; and

(d) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI): (a) The Central Government does not undertake any planting programme The planting activity is undertaken by the Soil Conservation Deptt. of Orissa Government, Forest Corporation of Orissa and others.

(b) Planting has mainly been undertaken in the Distts. of Koraput, Kalahandi and Phoolbani The total area brought under coffee so far is 13 hectaries.

(c) and (d) Since the Government by themselves do not undertake any plantation activity, the additional area to be brought under coffee would depend upon the efforts of the soil Conservation Deptt. of Orissa and the Forests Corporation, Coffee Board provides extention and research support.

Mahajan Commission Report

1708. SHRI D. B. CHANDRE GOWDA· Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government have not so far implemented the Mahajan

Commission report on Karnataka's border dispute with Maharashtra and Kerala;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) what are the findings of the Mahajan Commission and by when the same are likely to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI): (a) to (c) The findings of the Mahajan Commission are contained in its Report laid on the Table of the Rajya Sabha on the 18th December, 1970 The Commission's recommendations did not evoke the necessary measure of acceptability. The differences between the State Governments concerned in the matter have been persisting The Goverenment of India are of the view that this dispute can be resolved only with the willing cooperation of the State Governments and towards this and the Central Government will be glad to extend all possible assistance to them.

Decision of labour Ministers of Southern States on regional minimum wage

1709. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA:

SHRI N E BALARAM:

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Labour Ministers of Southern States have decided to enforce regional minimum wages in specific industries; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and the steps being taken in this connection?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI P. A. SANGMA): (a) and (b) In the meeting of the Labour Ministers' Conference (Southern Region) held at Madras on 9th October, 1987, it was considered that having regard to the varying economic and social conditions in different States, and that certain Welfare schemes are in operation like Mid-Day Meal Scheme in Tamil Nadu and Subsidised rice supply to weaker sections in Andhra Pradesh, that a basic level of minimum wages should be laid-down. On the basis of the recommendation of the Conference, a Committee Consisting of Labour Secretaries of the Governments of Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh and Union Territory Administration of Lakshadweep and Pondicherry and Joint Secretary of the Ministry of Labour has been constituted to go into this question in respect of employments in beedi, handloom, cashew industries and manufacture of tiles.

U.S. and World Bank aid to India for food purchases

1710. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA:

SHRI SURAJ PRASAD:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the US Department of Agriculture and the World Bank have proposed to provide financial aid for food purchases by India from the United States;

(b) if so, whether the US officials had discussed this proposal with the Prime Minister during his visit to the United States recently; and

(c) if so, what are the details and outcome thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EXPENDITURE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI B K. GADHVI): (a) and (b) A loan/credit of 350 million to meet the drought situation this year has been negotiated between the officials of Government of India and the World Bank. The loan is yet to be approved by the Board of Executive Directors of the Bank. This proposed assistance will be utilised for imports under the normal World Bank procurement guidelines and will not be tied to any source. Official level discussions are continuing to consider assistance from the United States Government for India's drought relief programme.

(c) Does not arise.